

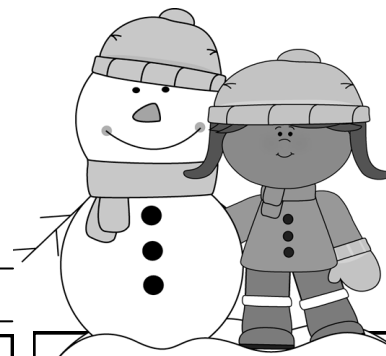
Children's Services

Emporia Public Library

January – April 2015

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www.emporialibrary.org



Family Reading Month



We're celebrating Pete the Cat during this year's Family Reading Month! "Rocking in Our READING Shoes" is the 2015 theme and it's all based on one cool cat!

Come join us at Emporia Public Library for our Family Reading Month Kick-Off Party on Saturday, January 31 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. It's your family's first opportunity to get registered for this super cool reading program. When your family signs up, you will receive a book bag filled with lots of fun materials that you can use during Family Reading Month. A yard sign will also be offered for families which will say, "**Our Family Reads!**" There will be

games, activities, crafts, a snack and a surprise visit from "Pete The Cat" himself to celebrate! Families may sign up anytime throughout the month of February for this program.

Family Reading Month is designed to encourage families to read together and to keep track of all your reading minutes in a Reading Time Booklet. Families who read the most minutes are eligible for grand prizes! If your family completes their reading time booklet before the month is over, that's okay! We have **Overtime Reader Sheets** for your family to use so you can keep reading all month long! Those **Overtime Reader Sheets** can be turned in anytime during the month and your family can have as many as you need. Grand prizes for the top reading families will be awarded at the Closing Celebration on Saturday, February 28 at 3:00 p.m.

Important Dates:

- ☉ Thursday, January 1
Library Closed – New Year's
- ☉ Monday, January 12
Winter Storytimes begin
- ☉ Monday, January 19
Library Closed - Martin Luther King Day
- ☉ Saturday, January 31
Family Reading Month Kick-Off Party
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
- ☉ Friday, February 27
Last day to turn in Family Reading Month minutes!
- ☉ Saturday, February 28
Family Reading Month Closing Celebration 3:00 p.m.
- ☉ Tuesday, March 17
LEGO Master Builders Event
2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
- ☉ Wednesday, March 18
Spring Break Movie 2:00 p.m.
"The Lego Movie"
- ☉ Thursday, March 19
LEGO Master Builders Event
2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
- ☉ April 11 - 16
Friends of the Library Book Sale
- ☉ Saturday, April 11
Teddy Bear Clinic and Health Fair at Flintheads Mall
9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- ☉ Tuesday, April 21
Family Night @ the Library & Family Fun Night
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
- ☉ Thursday, April 23
Last day for Spring Storytimes
- ☉ Wednesday, May 20
Summer Reading Kick-Off Party! 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Winter/Spring Storytimes

(Beginning Monday, January 12 and ending Thursday, April 23)



Pat-A-Cake Club

Infants to 18 months
Thursday, 9:15 a.m.

Preschool Storytime (3 to 5 years)

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, 10:30 a.m.

Make-It, Take-It Craft Weeks

February 9 - 12, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

February 10, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

March 16 - 19, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

March 17, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Mother Goose Time

Toddlers to 36 months
Monday & Thursday, 9:45 a.m.

Family Night @ the Library

Tuesday evening
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.



Winter/Spring Storytimes



Starting in January 2015, the Emporia Public Library will again open its doors on Sunday thanks to funding from Lyon County. The original hours of 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. will be reinstated for your convenience. We are pleased to be able to restore these popular hours and to continue good service to the community.

Early Childhood Playgroup

Sponsored by the
Lyon County Family Resource Council

Children from birth to 5 years and their caregivers are invited to Emporia Public Library the first Friday of every month for Early Childhood Playgroup. Playtime is from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. in the Storytime Room.

Upcoming dates:

January 2
February 6
March 6
April 3
May 1

Hope to see you there!



Watch for These Winter & Spring Storytime Themes

Pat-a-Cake & Mother Goose Themes:

(Infants - 18 mos. & Toddlers - 36 mos.)

January 12 & 15	It's Mitten Weather
January 22	Getting Dressed
January 26 & 29	Nighty-Night, Sleep Tight
February 2 & 5	Pete the Cat!
February 9 & 12	Winter Craft Week
February 16 & 19	Tickle Time!
February 23 & 26	Bouncing Babies
March 2 & 5	Oceans of Fun
March 9 & 12	Teddy Bear Tales
March 16 & 19	Spring Craft Week
March 23 & 26	Spring Fling
March 30 & April 2	Hopping Down the Bunny Trail
April 6 & 9	Egg-citement!
April 13 & 16	Let's Go On a Picnic!
April 20 & 23	A Few of Our Favorite Things

Preschool Themes:

(3 - 5 years)

January 12 - 15	Snow Sledding
January 20 & 22	Animals in Winter
January 26 - 29	Moose Mania
February 2 - 5	Pete the Cat!
February 9 - 12	Winter Craft Week
February 16 - 19	Kisses
February 23 - 26	Getting into Shapes!
March 2 - 5	Cat In The Hat Week!
March 9 - 12	Dragon Tales
March 16 - 19	Spring Craft Week
March 23 - 26	Springtime Fun
March 30 - April 2	Bird Is the Word
April 6 - 9	Rainbow Ruckus!
April 13 - 16	Cleaning Up: Going Green!
April 20 - 23	Business is Good

Family Night @ the Library

(All families welcome)

January 13	Do You Want to Build a Snowman?
January 20	Mmm, Mmm, Good!: Storytime Soup
January 27	Once Upon an Iceberg
February 3	Pete the Cat!
February 10	Winter Craft Week
February 17	Pucker Up!
February 24	We Rock!
March 3	Whale Watch
March 10	Tales of Tails
March 17	Spring Craft Week
March 24	Let's Make a Sandwich!
March 31	If You're Hoppy and You Know It!
April 7	What's Hatching?
April 14	Wash Day
April 21	Family Fun Night! "Fun From A to Z!"



Spring Break Fun!

Join us for two **LEGO**

Master Builders Events!

Come build your greatest creation, a story related character or scene, or just random

AWESOMENESS!!!

This event is for children K - 5th grade.
Pre-registration is required.

Also....

Families are invited
to come to
Emporia Public Library's
showing of



To sign up or for the Master Builders Events or for further information regarding these events, please call Children's Services at 340-6466. Please, only sign up for one Master Builders Event so more children will have the opportunity to participate.

Thank you.

Event dates and times:

Tuesday, March 17

LEGO Master Builders Event

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 18

The LEGO Movie (PG)

2:00 - 3:41 p.m.

Thursday, March 19

LEGO Master Builders Event

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Dolly Parton Imagination Library



Emporia Public Library is excited about the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library in Coffey, Lyon, Morris and Osage counties. Register your child now for FREE BOOKS! Dolly Parton's Imagination Library sends high quality, age-appropriate FREE books to thousands of children each month until after their fifth birthday. Reading to your child is one of the most important ways to improve the educational opportunities they deserve for a successful life!

This opportunity is FREE to our children thanks to the following organizations:

The Capitol Federal Foundation, The Hopkins Foundation, The Jones Foundation, The Trusler Foundation, and the United Way of the Flint Hills.



"TumbleBookLibrary is an online collection of animated, talking picture books which teach young children the joys of reading in a format they'll love."

- Story Books
- Videos
- Language Learning
- Read Alongs
- Puzzles & Games
- Non-fiction Books

You can find a TumbleBooks link under the children's section of our library web page:
www.emporialibrary.org.



It's a **FUN** way to learn!

Summer Reading Program Kick-Off!

Emporia Public Library's Children's Summer Reading Program theme for 2015 is "**Every Hero Has A Story!**" Activities will include storytimes, special programs and Brown Bag Concerts.



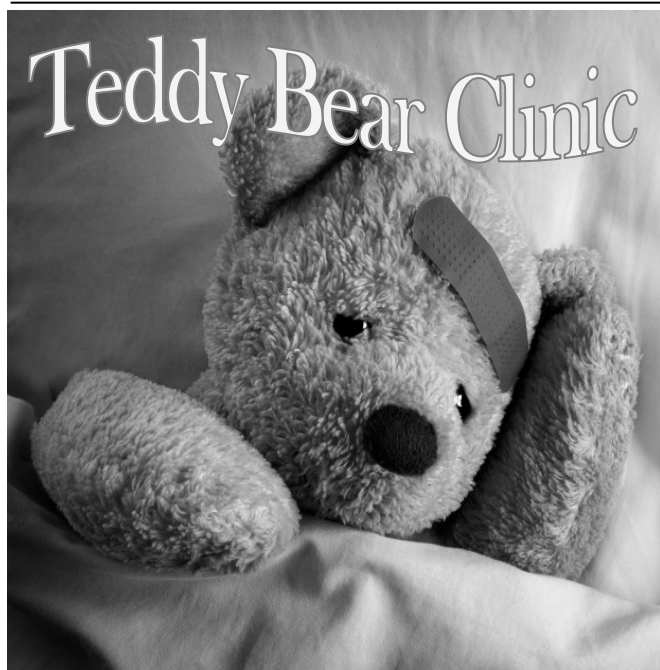
Participants in the Children's Summer Reading Program (ages birth to 5th grade) are encouraged to keep track of the minutes they read each week. Prizes will be given for every 100 minutes read. Grand prizes will be awarded to the participants who have read the most minutes by the end of summer. Plan to join us for 8 weeks of fun and great reading this summer!

Sign-up begins on
Wednesday, May 20.

All activities are free and open to the public!

Month of the Young Child

*April has been designated as the **Month of the Young Child** by the Lyon County Family Resource Council.*



Teddy Bear Clinic

This year's Month of the Young Child will kick-off with the **Teddy Bear Clinic and Health Fair**, sponsored by Newman Regional Health, local Kiwanis Clubs, Lyon County Family Resource Council and the Emporia Public Library at the Flinthearts Mall on **Saturday, April 11**, from 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The Teddy Bear Clinic, staffed by volunteer nurses and physicians, will include a wide variety of interactive health fair exhibits. Children can bring along their teddy bear or other stuffed animal and have lots of fun learning about health-related topics.

Another special event planned for the Month of the Young Child is the **Family Fun Night on Tuesday, April 21**, from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., which follows the Family Night @ the Library at Emporia Public Library beginning at 6:30 p.m. The theme of the evening will be "Fun from A to Z!" It's going to be a fun filled month!

Visit Emporia Public Library's website for more
 details and information
 about our activities and programs!

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Emporia Public Library Winter Hours

Monday - Thursday
 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
 Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
 Saturday: 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.